

Office Naming Standardization

Why it matters

- Provides consistency in data across all reports
- Ensures certificate of elections accurately reflect state law requirements
- Creates uniformity on public results website & reports

Resources

- Naming Standards in SVRS SOP
 - Includes format of how office names are to appear in SVRS
- Office, Election, and Candidate Setup Step-By-Step
 - Documents process to edit or create an office name in SVRS

Office Party & Candidate Party Affiliation

Auditing for this issue Now

- Election > Election Results > Office Results
 - Visually check party affiliation & office party
 - Document the changes to be made in SVRS
 - Correct through the candidate search or office naming modules

Future SVRS Enhancements

- Warning a user if a candidate is being associated to an office where the candidate's party does not match
- Adding a report to the reports library to show both the candidate party and the office party

U.S. District Court Data

- Jury pool data provided by federal courts
 - Includes names of individuals where jury notices were undeliverable as addressed or person was deceased
 - Shared bi-annually (every two years)

All 92 counties have U.S. District Court data to review and process!

IC 3-7-38.2-16

U.S. District Court Data

- District Court Data List & Instructions
 - List provided on May 16, 2018
 - Data list on county portal, along with access to U.S. District Court Step-by-Step
 - Webinar training held on May 16 and May 17
 - Training was recorded & available on county portal
 - NCOA mailer must be sent no later than 42-days after the primary election, or June 20, 2018
 - Voter must be given 30-days to respond to notice before registration status may be flagged as inactive
 - If NCOA mailer is returned as undeliverable as defined in IC 3-5-2-49.7 within 30-days, then voter's registration status may be flagged as inactive

IC 3-7-38.2-16 | IC 3-5-2-49.7

NCOA Mailer Reminders

- 90-Day Federal Freeze
 - Begins August 9, 2018; ends November 9, 2018
 - May NOT change a voter's registration status to inactive during this period
 - May update registrations, process new registrations, and cancel registrations at the voter's request or due to death, imprisonment after conviction of a crime
- MUST include postage on the return mailer
 - State and federal legal requirement
- MUST be sent to voter's mailing address

IP Address Audit

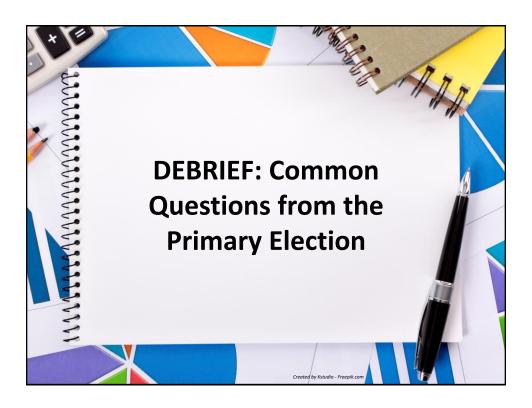
- Necessary to ensure county computers have proper access to SVRS
- Audit is performed from time-to-time to ensure all connections are appropriate
- Communication was sent in late May
 - Requested specific information from counties
 - Response requested by June 8, 2018
 - May be follow-up this week with counties that did not comply with the request

SVRS User Account Clean-Up

- On July 1, 2018:
 - Yahoo email addresses may no longer be associated to SVRS user names
 - Each user name must have its own unique email address
 - Preferable each user have a government email, though third-party email may be used (except Yahoo)
 - Each user must have an expiration date
 - Default date is mid-2019

County Contact Info Form Updates

- Please review your county's contact information on the current VRG-7, VRG-11, and ABS Application series
- Need an update to an address, phone number or fax?
 - Please email Angie & Brad with the update no later than June 22, 2018, so forms can be updated in time for the November election



Vote Center Counties

- Review Plan & Make Updates, if necessary
 - Election Day sites the same?
 - Early Voting sites the same?
 - Remember, early voting sites in the primary election must be used in the general election
 - Clerk's office & ONE ADDITIONAL vote center must be open two Saturdays before election for 7-hours
 - Counties with pop. less than 20,000 can be open for 4-hours
 - Poll worker needs the same?
 - · Remember, plan must specify:
 - How many precinct election boards (Inspector & 2 Judges) are used
 - How many other poll workers are needed and how many appointed from each major political party
- Amended plans
 - No set time limit on when amendments are filed with IED
 - Require unanimous support of CEB

IC 3-11-18.1-4 | IC 3-11-18.1-15

Early Voting Weekday Hours

- Early voting must be offered for the same hours the clerk's office is opened on the weekdays
 - Requirement for clerk's office to be available the two Saturdays before each election
 - At least 7-hours for counties with population equal to or more than 20,000 persons
 - At least 4-hours for counties with population less than 20,000 persons

IC 3-11-10-26(h) & (i)

Absentee Questions

- Name Change on ABS Application
 - Permitted under state law
 - Voter registration should not treat as an update, as it triggers a pending period
 - Instead, treat as a correction
 - See SOP: VRG_59.1: Processing Name Changes in SVRS
- Pending Voters & ABS Applications
 - May approve ABS-Mail; Traveling Board; UOCAVA voter applications
 - Wait to send ballot or travel board until voter's registration status is moved to active

IC 3-11-4-5.1(b)(3) | IC 3-11-4-18(c)

Absentee Questions

- "Rejected" Absentees
 - Rejected should only be used in SVRS if an ABS ballot is truly rejected for legal reasons, such as death of voter or signatures don't match
 - If an absentee ballot is challenged, then it is treated as a provisional ballot
 - Provisional ballot module in SVRS provides for the legal reasons on the challenge affidavit (and other) for county to select

IC 3-11-10-17 | IC 3-11.5-4-13

Auto Activate Pending Voters

- Allows for all pending voter registrations to be made active in one batch
 - County should <u>exhaust all options</u> to process registration forms no later than 7-days before poll book printing begins
 - To request permission for auto-activation:
 - File a signed "Auto-Activate Registrations" Memo with HAVA Administrator
 - This form is NOT the same as a County Authorization Form
 - CORE Team must approve before access is given
- See SOP: GEN_7.2: Auto-Activate Registrations Functionality in SVRS

Federal Only Absentee Ballots

- Used by a registered voter who:
 - 1) Submits an FPCA
 - 2) Selects "I am a US citizen and my return is uncertain" on the application
- County must print a Federal Only ABS Ballot for the following federal offices:
 - U.S. Senate
 - U.S. House, in the precinct of the voter's county voter registration office
 - Don't forget to include blank "write-in" line for each federal race!

IC 3-11-4-8 | IC 3-11-2-6(e)

Provisional Ballots

- Provisional Ballot Hearing
 - Public meeting
 - Reminder, cannot disclose name of voter during hearing
 - After hearing <u>and no later than 3PM</u> the second Friday following the election:
 - Any "valid" provisional ballots must be counted by bi-partisan team;
 - 2) results canvassed by county election board; and
 - 3) election results reports must include revised totals.

IC 3-10-1-31.1 | IC 3-11.7-6-3

Provisional Ballots

- Impact on Voter Record
 - If counted, voter gets "credit" to voting history
 - If NOT counted, update must be made to SVRS record to include reason WHY provisional ballot rejected
 - Don't forget to complete the "CEB Findings" portion of the PRO-2 before storing uncounted provisionals with election materials

IC 3-10-1-31.1 | IC 3-11.7-6-3



Voter Registration Updates from Election Day

- After the delivery of poll lists and affidavits used on Election Day, county VR officials may immediately begin to:
 - Record vote history from the poll book and assign it to each voter's record
 - Update voter registration records, if changes come from:
 - Pollbook (name change, address change within precinct)
 - VRG-4/12s received on Election Day
- Vote history must be completed no later than 60-days after an election
 - If there is a recount or contest in your county this deadline is moved to 60 days after the recount or contest proceedings end

IC 3-10-1-31.1 | IC 3-10-1-31.2

Changes in Election Results After Recount

- Once a recount concludes, the
 - Local recount commission will file a recount certificate with the county clerk
 - Clerk will compare the office results shown on the recount certificate against the office results originally certified by the CEB
 - 3) Clerk will file new certification paperwork with the CEB and IED, if the results have changed
 - For the May 2018 primary election, the CEB-23 and CEB-24 would need to be revised, depending on which party's nominee's vote totals changed

IC 3-12-6-30 | IC 3-13-6-31

At-Large Offices on November Ballot

- Office ballot order will be different in the November election than May primary
- All at-large (vote for more than one) partisan offices must be placed on the ballot before any school board offices
 - Ex: town council at-large; township board member

Reminder, the straight party device does not apply to "at-large" offices; instead voters must make individual selections!

IC 3-11-2-12.4 | IC 3-11-13-11(e) | IC 3-11-14-3.5(e)

16 & 17 Year Old Poll Workers

- CEB unanimously may allow 16 & 17 yr. old nonvoters to serve as:
 - Judges & Clerks at the polls on election day
 - NOT Inspectors!!
 - Absentee ballot couriers & absentee ballot counters in central count counties
- Teen must meet the following qualifications to serve:
 - Be a 16 or 17 year old, US citizen residing in the county
 - Have at least 3.0 cumulative GPA out of 4.0 scale (or equivalent)
 - Have written permission from the teen's:
 - school principal
 - parent or guardian
 - Completes all required poll work training and is otherwise eligible to serve in the position

IC 3-6-6-39 | IC 3-11.5-4-23

Who Can Serve as a Poll Worker?

- To be a poll worker in November a voter must meet various qualifications:
 - Be able to read, write, and speak English
 - Do not have a property bet or wager on the results of the election
 - Is not a candidate for office (opposed or unopposed) on the ballot in the precinct
 - Is not a family member of an <u>opposed</u> candidate on the ballot in the <u>precinct</u>
 - Family members of unopposed candidates can serve
 - Attend required poll worker training (Inspectors)

IC 3-6-6-7

Who Can Serve as an ABS Board Member?

- To be an ABS Board Member in November, a voter must meet various qualifications:
 - Be able to read, write, and speak English
 - Do not have a property bet or wager on the results of the election
 - Is not a candidate for office (opposed or unopposed) on the ballot
 - Is not a family member of an <u>opposed</u> candidate on the hallot
 - A family member of an opposed candidate may serve as an ABS Board member if candidate is not running countywide AND the CEB can assign them to work where they cannot influence the casting or counting of ballot where the candidate appears
 - For example: Mother runs for Acme Township Dogcatcher; son can manage ABS ballots in parts of county NOT in Acme Township

IC 3-11-10-36 | IC 3-11.5-4-22

IED Candidate Certification

- IED sends to CEB by noon, Mon., Aug. 20, 2018
- Includes:
 - State Constitutional Amendment
 - Name and residence address of each candidate on the general election ballot for federal, statewide, state legislative, judicial office, and prosecuting attorney
 - Name of each judge for the supreme court, court of appeals, tax court who is subject to retention vote and filed a request to be retained in office
 - Name of each superior court judge who is subject to a retention vote and filed a request to be retained in office
 - · Applies to Lake, Marion, St. Joseph counties only

IC 3-8-7-16 | IC 33-33-45-42 | IC 33-33-49-13.3 | IC 33-33-71-43 | IC 3-10-3-1

Write-In Candidates

- DO NOT PRINT write-in candidates on the ballot
- MUST include a write-in line for ALL federal candidates (US House, US Senate)
 - Doesn't matter if a write-in doesn't file paperwork; federal law requires it
- Write-In Certification from IED
 - Includes ballot name and residence address of write-in candidates for federal, statewide, state legislative, judicial office, and prosecuting attorney
 - Will be sent to each CEB no later than noon, Aug. 20, 2018
 - Do NOT post list of write-in candidates in polling place
 - Include in poll worker materials, as ONLY votes for <u>certified</u> write-in candidates may be counted by poll workers

IC 3-8-7-30 | IC 3-11-2-6(e) | IC 3-11-13-11(g)(6) | IC 3-11-14-3.5(g)(6)



